

**Jun 28 (Sun): O: Plant Walk/Evey Canyon, San Gabriel Mtns.:** Slow paced, 3-4 hour plant walk to identify plants and learn about fire ecology in a fire-recovered canyon with botanist Bob Muns and naturalist Liana Argento. Meet at 9:30 am at trailhead on Mt. Baldy Rd. about 0.4 miles north of San Antonio Dam. From 210 E. Fwy take Base Line Rd. exit, turn left onto E. Base Line Rd. (CA30), turn right onto Padua Ave to Mt. Baldy Rd. Continue north up Mt. Baldy Rd. about 2 mi to trailhead on left side of road. (Forest Service Pass may be required) Bring water, lunch, hand lens, binoculars; (optional \$1 for plant list and \$1 for hand lens) Rain cancels. Ldr: Liana Argento Co-Ldr: Michael Hecht.

**Jul 4 (Sat): O: Long Beach El Dorado Nature Ctr Walk:** (Co-sponsored with Orange Co Sierra Singles, Orange Co Group, Long Beach Group) See Jun 27 writeup.

**Jul 11 (Sat): O: Alpine Botany Walk near Saddlebag Lakes:** (Co-sponsored with Pasadena Group) Learn to recognize high-altitude flowers with naturalists Jean Dillingham and Mickey Long as we take an easy hike in the Tioga Pass area. Make your own arrangements to stay nearby and join us for a potluck dinner at Jean's house after the hike and for Sun's hike. Cost is \$10 per person to cover naturalists' fees. This hike satisfies a part of the Natural Science requirement for the I-rating. Contact Leader: Ginny Heringer. Asst: Pam Allen.

**Jul 12 (Sun): O: Mountain Meadows Botany Walk near Agnew Meadows:** (Co-sponsored with Pasadena Group) Learn to recognize high-altitude flowers with naturalists Jean Dillingham and Mickey Long as we hike around the meadows below Mammoth. Make your own arrangements to stay nearby and join us for Sat's hike and potluck dinner. Cost is \$10 per person to cover naturalists' fees. This hike satisfies a part of the Natural Science requirement for the I-rating. Contact Ldr: Ginny Heringer. Asst: Pam Allen.

**Jul 31-Aug 2 (Fri-Sun): O: Hummingbird Celebration at the Kern River Valley:** (Co-sponsored with Pasadena Group) See the amazing phenomenon of hummingbird migration, 6 hummingbird species are possible at feeders, and chance to view over one thousand hummingbirds present some days. Spend day learning how to observe, identify, photograph, grow hummingbird friendly native plant gardens and more about the flying jewels. Opportunity to observe banding demonstration and the release of newly banded hummies for research data. Sun nature walk with Audubon volunteer at the preserve. Potluck Sat, optional car camp/hotel. Send \$20 (Natural Science Section), contact/carpool info to Leader: Mei Kwan. Co-Ldrs: Johanna Beeson, Gary Kinsley